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Persistent in the Right; Fearless in Opposing Wrong.

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## Department of Science.

EDITED BY DR. J. HAMER, SR.

### Matter, Force and Consequent Motion.

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.)

The part of the structure in the vegetable organism which contains the chlorophyll vesicles, thus, holds the same relation in the vegetable economy as the cells which compose the lungs in the animal. But the work performed through the cells of the lungs in the animal is uniformly an anticyclical chemical action, while the chlorophyll corpuscles of the plant with the absorbed energy from the rays of light perform the work of bringing together in chemical union the elements to form complex and unstable protoplasm. While this is a fact it is also a fact that when light is absent destructive metabolism prevails in the part of the plant where the chlorophyll organ is formed. Free oxygen, the supporter of combustion, is taken in and carbon dioxide and water expelled like from the lungs of an animal. When in the season of Autumn the environment so far as regards the amount of light and heat are about to change as regular as this change of season takes place we witness the following change,—the trees part with these organs and pass into a torpid state, the metabolic process becomes sluggish and they remain leafless during the winter season, until spring returns with increasing light and heat, when the evolution of new organs are manifested in the place of those which had been lost before winter had set in. While these organs possessed of chlorophyll corpuscles are lacking, the continued existence of the plant is dependent upon the potential energy within in the organism stored up in the accumulated organic substances. During our short seasons of winter this latent energy is not used up or dissipated, and the plant remains ready when acted upon by the proper forms of force to perform the movements pertaining to active vegetable life. In the propagating cells of some vegetable organisms potential energy remains for a long period of time ready to be manifested in work and for as evident to observation when the environments become favorable. Dr. Carpenter, in speaking of the life history of the unicellular protozoans, to which we have heretofore referred, says:—"After this, the cycle of changes occurs which has been already described, and the plant may pass through a long series of these, before it returns to the state of the red thick-walled cell in which it may again remain dormant for an unlimited period." The preservation of the leafless trees as living organisms in the torpid state while destitute of organs with chlorophyll, is owing to energy from two sources, the potential energy within the organisms in reserved materials, and the taking in of free oxygen by the protoplasmic cells which do not contain chlorophyll, which causes destructive metabolism in the protoplasm itself. These two conditions may be present for plants or animals to exist during winter. If animals that pass the winter in a torpid state would part with their lungs and the phenomena of life would cease, and would never again be manifested.

(CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.)

## A Young Wife's Confusion.

"You are one woman of a thousand, Nell—you are, by Jove! and I'm proud of you. Come when I may and I find the house as neat as a rose. I like that. Nell. I've always thought that if anything could put me out of temper with woman I loved it would be to come home and find the house topsyturvy and my wife in a soiled wrapper and with a rough head. Little woman, you're a treasure, and I am proud of you!"

And Edward Hastings kissed his pretty bride until her cheeks glowed like the red June rose out in the sunshine.

She was very happy, very much pleased and flattered at her husband's praise.

They had just been married a few months, and Nell was patient and housewife. She arose early, and made their nests in the morning hours.

Come when he might, her husband always found his little home in order, the cupboard stored with something good to eat, and his wife dressed in a fresh wrapper, with a flower in her hair and a smile of welcome on her fair face.

"If there is one thing more likely to provoke a fellow than another," he went on, lingering a moment in the sunny portico, his arm around her waist, "tis to bring a friend home to dinner or luncheon and find everything out of sorts. Now there's Gravesley; his wife's a fine woman when you see her out—showy woman, always well dressed. Well, Gravesley invited me to lunch that day we went out together. I went, but I was sorry enough for it. Such a house as we found—all heels over head, and I caught sight of the mistress disappearing up the stairs in curl papers and slippers. She was indispensed and could not see us, the girl said. We lunched on bread and cheese, and Gravesley, poor fellow, though he said nothing, looked exceedingly annoyed. I should have been angry. I think a wife should make it her duty to keep house and her person in presentable order, so that her husband come when he may, may find her ready to welcome him."

"So do I," said Nell, smiling up into his face. "You need never be afraid to invite a friend home with you, Ned. No matter if I don't know, I shall be ready to receive you."

Ned gave her a ringing kiss.

"Very well, little woman, I shall try you one of these days—and now I must run. Good-by."

She watched him out of sight with happy eyes, and then went back to her pretty sitting-room and her work-table.

A month later the summer was on the wane and the fruits were well ripened.

"Jane," said Mrs. Hastings one bright morning, returning from the garden gate where she had parted with her husband, "I have just looked at the currants and they are quite ripe. We must make our jelly at once. Now Mr. Hastings won't be home till late to-day. I want to spend the day with mother to-morrow, and should very much like to get the job off my hand to-day. What do you say?"

"I can soon pick the currants, ma'am."

"All right; suppose you begin. We won't clean up now. Let the house stand, though it is dreadfully out of order. Perhaps we may find time to straighten up when we get the fruit cooking. Hurry, now, and pick as fast as you can, and I'll step over to Brown's and order some sugar and jars."

Jane obeyed, leaving the breakfast-room unswept and the front steps unswept.

It was high noon before the first kettle of juice got in cooking order.

Making currant jelly was more of an undertaking than Mrs. Hastings imagined. She had seen it at home under her mother's supervision, and making it herself she fancied would be quite as easy.

"Dear me; how the time flies; I dare say it won't take the juice long to thicken. 'Mamma used to make it in no time. What are we to do about dinner wonder? We must have a make-up dinner when we have finished. Mr. Hastings will excuse us, I'm sure."

And she ranged in her Holland apron, with her pretty braids put back and her sleeves tucked above her elbows. Nell went away with all her might, picking, boiling, and stirring, until her cheeks were flushed and her head ached.

"Why Jane, this jelly won't jelly, and it has boiled so long. What can be the matter?"

"There's something you put in to make it jelly, I thing ma'am."

"Oh, dear, no. Mother never did, I'm sure. I'll add more sugar and let it boil another hour. Dear me! I thought we should have had our last kettle on by this time. We shall be so late, and I'm tired to death now. I wish I had done as mother said. She advised me to send the currants over there, and let Hannah make the jelly, but I was sure I could do it myself."

The steaming kettle boiled another hour.

An hour hung above the green poplars.

"Jelly now, Jane!" said the wife, pouring some of it into cold water. But it had undergone.

"What I do? Surely the jelly is spoiled. I've a great

mind to pour it all away," cried Nell, ready to cry with vexation.

"I tell you, ma'am, you put something in it to make it jelly," persisted Jane.

"Oh, Jane, hush! You know nothing about it. I tell you, you don't put anything in. What must I do? Cook it more? It is burning to the kettle now, and I've wasted ever so much sugar. Jane run over to mother's and ask Hannah to run over, will you? She'll know in a minute what to do. Do, pray, be quick; it is dreadfully late."

Jane departed.

"If cooking will do, I'll make jelly of it before Hannah gets here," she said.

But instead of boiling to jelly, the currant juice boiled over in great foamy, red waves.

The fire hissed, and a dense smoke and a pungent scent of burning sweets filled the kitchen.

Spattered from head to foot with the hot liquid, one hand scalded, her pretty face besmeared, Nell retreated to the door in despair.

"Oh, I wish I had never!"

The sentence was never finished.

She stood dumb with horror, for coming leisurely along the sunny path she saw her husband and his particular friend, Mr. Warburton.

"He has invited him home to dinner!" she gasped, darting back into the smoky kitchen. "Oh, what shall I do?"

Two or three harrowing minutes of suspense and her husband entered.

"Nell came forward looking more like an Indian than the pretty woman she was."

"I'm making currant jelly, and I thought you wouldn't be home till late, Ned."

"Does it require such a mess as this to make currant jelly?" And what a fright you are, Nell! I've brought Warburton home to dine."

"There's not a mouthful of dinner, Ned."

"What! Didn't I send a ham and a pair of chickens?"

"I had no time to cook; I've been making jelly all day."

"Confound the jelly! Come, Nell, you must get some show of dinner."

"I can't, Ned! I'm tired to death, and my hand's burned. You shouldn't have invited Mr. Warburton without letting me know."

"Now just hear that!" cried the provoked husband, "after telling me so often to bring a friend whenever I liked! I'm surprised at you, Nell!"

Nell sank into a seat, and, covering her face with her sticky apron, burst into tears, while the jelly began to steam over again. Her husband half beside himself with the hissing noise and his own vexation, made a dive at the kettle, and, in his efforts to get it off the stove, upset it, deluging the floor.

"I'm glad of it! You've no business attempting to make the confound stuff when you don't know how," he cried, snatching out of the kitchen, and leaving his wife to have her cry out. "I'll go and send Warburton away."

Poor Nell sobbed, convulsively, unmindful of the meandering red river at her feet, until Hannah entered.

"Why, dearie, what trouble you're in, to be sure! and all your jelly wasted. But never mind; we'll have the next kettle all right."

Nell sprang and threw herself into the old woman's arms.

"Oh, Hannah! and Ned's gone to send Mr. Warburton away without his dinner, and he'll never forgive me," she sobbed.

"Yes he will dearie, yes he will—don't you fret. I've sent them over to your mother's for a lunch. And now let me tell you what to do. Put all this jelly-making by till to-morrow—we'll begin bright and early in the morning, and—"

"But, Hannah, it won't come to jelly."

"Oh, yes it will when we add a little gelatine."

"Didn't I tell you, ma'am?" muttered Jane, mopping up the red river.

Never mind the jelly now," continued Hannah, "you and Jane set to work and get up a nice supper, and take down your curls and put on your prettiest gown, and I'll hurry over and send the master and his guest back about sunset; that'll make everything right."

Nell demurred a little.

"Ned was cruel to get in such a passion; he knew I couldn't help it," she sobbed.

Old Hannah gave her a look.

"Hush my dearie; put that foolish pride in your pocket; you can't afford to spoil your happiness. Mind what old Hannah says."

And Nell obeyed.

She and Jane worked as they never did before in all their lives.

Sunset found the kitchen as clean as a new pin—the unfortunate jelly banished and the daintiest of supper tables set.

And as the sun went down Nell herself walked down the garden path to meet her husband, robed in a crisp white muslin, a scarlet ribbon zoning her waist, a rose in her hair.

"I'm glad to see you, Mr. Warburton," she said smilingly. "You have found me in great tribulation to-day. I attempted what I did not understand and got into trouble. Ned, dear, forgive me, and bring your friend in to supper."

"Oh, Nell, what a brute I was!" whispered her husband, detaining her a minute at the kitchen door. "Can you forgive me? And your poor hand burned, too. I'll dig up every currant bush in the garden to-morrow."

"No, Ned," she replied, "I shall learn to make currant jelly to-morrow. Let them alone."—*New York Evening World.*

**SAVED BY A FLASH OF LIGHTNING.**

My name is Hunt. Yes, sir; Anthony Hunt. I am a settler and drover on this Western prairie. Wilds? Yes, sir; it's little else than wilds now, but you should have been in it when I and my wife first moved up here. There was not a house within sight for miles. Even now we have not many neighbors, but those we have are downright good ones. To appreciate your neighbors as you ought, sir, you must live in these lonely places, so far removed from the haunts of man.

What I am about to tell of happened ten years ago. I was going to the distant town, or settlement, to sell some fifty head of cattle—fine creatures, sir, as ever you saw. The journey was a more rare event with me then than it is now, and my wife had always plenty of commissions to charge me with in the shape of dry goods and groceries and such like things.

Our youngest child was a sweet little gentle thing, who had been named after her aunt, Dorothy. We called the child Dolly. This time my mission included one for her—a doll. She had never had a real doll; that is a bought doll; only the rag bundles her mother made for her. For some days before my departure the child could talk of nothing else—or we, either, for the matter of that—for she was a great pet, the darling of us all. It was to be a big, big doll, with golden hair and blue eyes. I shall never forget the child's words the morning I was starting, as she ran after me to the gate, or the pretty picture she made. There are some children sweeter and prettier than others, sir, as you can't but have noticed, and Dolly was one.

"A very big big doll, please, daddy," she called out after me; and please bring it soon."

I turned to nod a yes to her as she stood in her clean white-brown pinafore against the gate, her nut-brown hair falling in curls about her neck and the breeze stirring them.

"A brave doll," I answered, "for my little one—almost as big as Dolly."

Nobody would believe, I dare say, how full my thoughts were of that promised doll as I rode alone, or what a nice one I meant to buy. It was not often I spent money in what my good, thrifty wife would have called waste; but Dolly was Dolly, and I meant to do it now.

The cattle sold, I went about my purchases, and soon had no end of parcels to be packed in the saddle bags. Tea, sugar, rice, candles—but I need not weary you, sir, with telling of them, together with the calico for shirts and nightgowns, and the delaine for the children's new frocks. Last of all, I went about the doll—and found a beauty. It was not as big as Dolly, or half as big; but it had flaxen curls and sky-blue eyes; and by dint of pulling a wire you could open or shut the eyes at will.

"Do it up carefully," I said to the store-keeper. "My little daughter would cry sadly if any harm came to it."

The day was pretty well ended before all my work was done; and just for a moment or two I hesitated whether I

should not stay in the town and start for home in the morning. It would have been the more prudent course. But I thought of poor Dolly's anxiety to get her treasure, and of my own happiness in watching the rapture in her delighted eyes. So with my parcels packed in the best way they could be, I mounted my horse and started for home.

It was as good and steady a horse as you ever rode, sir; but night began to set in before I was well away from the town; it seemed as if it were going to be an ugly night, too. Again the thought struck me—should I turn back and wait till morning? I had the price of the cattle, you see, sir, in my breast pocket, and robberies, aye, and murders also, were not quite unknown things on the prairie. But I had my brace of sure pistols with me and decided to press on.

The night came on as dark as pitch, and part of the way my road would be pitch dark besides. But on that score I had no fear. I knew the road well, every inch of it, though I could not ride so fast as I should have done in the light. I was about six miles from home, I suppose, and I knew the time must be close upon midnight, when the storm which had been brewing broke. The thunder roared, the rain fell in torrents; the best I could do was to press on.

All at once, as I rode on, a cry startled me; a faint, wailing sound, like the cry of a child. Reining up, I sat still and listened. Had I been mistaken? No, there it was again. But in what direction I could not tell. I couldn't see a thing. It was, as I have said, as dark as pitch.

Getting off my horse, I felt about, but could find nothing. And while I was seeking the cry came again—the faint moan of a child in pain. Then I began to wonder. I am not superstitious, but I asked myself how it was possible that a child could be out on the prairie at such an hour and such a night. No; a real child it could not be.

Upon that came another thought—one less welcome: Was it a trap to hinder me on my way and ensnare me? There might be midnight robbers who would easily have heard of my almost certain ride home that night and of the money I should have about me.

I don't think, sir, I am more timid than other people; not as much so, perhaps, as some; but I confess the idea made me uneasy. My best plan was to ride on as fast as I could, and get out of the mystery into safe quarters. Just here was about the darkest bit of road in all the route. Mounting my horse I was about to urge him on, when the cry came again. It did sound like a child's; the plaintive wail of a child nearly exhausted.

"God guide me!" I said, undecided what to do. And as I sat another moment listening, I once more heard the cry, fainter and more faint. I threw myself off my horse with an exclamation.

"Be it ghost or be it robber, Anthony Hunt is not one to leave a child to die without trying to save it."

But how was I to save it?—how find it? The more I searched about, the less could my hands light on anything save the sloppy earth. The voice had quite ceased now, so I had no guide from that. While I stood trying to peer into the darkness, all my ears alert a flood of sheet lightning suddenly illuminated the plain. At a little distance, just beyond a kind of ridge or gentle hill, I caught a glimpse of something white. It was dark again in a moment, but I made my way with unerring instinct. Sure enough, there lay a poor little child. Whether boy or girl I could not tell. It seemed to be three parts insensible now, as I took it up, dripping with wet, from the sloppy earth.

"My poor little thing!" I said as I hushed it to me. "We'll go and find mammy. You are all safe now."

And in answer the child just put out its feeble hand, moaned once and nestled close to me.

With the child hushed to my breast I rode on. Its perfect silence soon showed me that it slept. And, sir, I thanked God that he had let me save it, and I thought how grateful some poor mother would be. But I was full of wonder for all that, wonder what extraordinary fate had taken any young child to that solitary spot.

Getting in sight of home, I saw all the windows alight. Delilah had done

it for me, I thought, to guide me home in safety through the darkness. But presently I knew that something must be the matter, for the very few neighbors we had were collected there. My heart stood still for fear. I thought of some calamity to one or the other of the children. I had saved a like one from perishing, but what might not have happened to my own?

Hardly daring to lift the latch while my poor tired horse stood still and mute outside, I went slowly in, the child in my arms covered over with the flap of my long coat. My wife was weeping bitterly.

"What's amiss?" I asked in a faint voice. And it seemed that a chorus of voices answered me.

"Dolly's lost."

"Dolly lost! Just for a moment my heart turned sick. Then some instinct, like a ray of light hope, seized upon me. Pulling the coat off the face of the child I held, I lifted the little sleeping thing to the light, and saw Dolly!"

Yes, sir. The child I had saved was no other than my own, little Dolly. And I knew that God's good angels had guided me to save her, and that the first flash of summer lightning had shone just at the right moment to show me where she lay. It was her white sun-bonnet that had caught my eye. My darling it was, and none other, that I had picked up on the drenched road.

Dolly, anxious for her doll, had wandered out unseen to meet me in the afternoon. For some hours she was not missed. It chanced that my two eldest girls had gone over to our nearest neighbors', and my wife, missed the child just afterwards, took it for granted that she was with them. The little one had come on and on, until night and the storm overtook her, when she fell down frightened and utterly exhausted.

I thanked heaven aloud before them all, sir, as I said none but God, and his holy angels had guided me to her. It's not much of a story to listen to, sir I am aware of that. But I often think of it in the long nights, lying awake, and I ask myself how I could bear to live on now had I run away from the poor little cry in the road, hardly louder than a squirrel's chirp, and left my child to die.

Yer, sir you are right. That's Dolly out yonder with her mother picking fruit; the little trim light figure in pink—just the same sort of white sun-bonnet on her head that she wore that night ten years ago. She is a girl that was worth saving, sir, though I say it and God knows that as long as my life lasts I shall be thankful that I come home that night instead of staying in the town.

**His Little Family.**

The other day Captain Worthy and Judge Williams rode out to the farm of the former. While sitting in the buggy in front of the cabin of William Brown, a colored tenant, the following conversation took place:

"There seems to be a good many children about here, William. Are they all yours?"

"Yes, sah. All mine; but dese ain't all."

"How many have you in all?"

"Ain't got but forty, sah. I had forty seven, but I had bad luck somehow the children o' my last wife, an' didn't raise but seven o' 'em. De oder seven died."

"How many wives had you?"

"Ain't had but six, sah."

"Only six?"

"Yes, sah, dat's all."

We claim that, Upson furnishes the champion husband and father of the State. If any other county can beat William Brown, let it trot out its man. —*Thomaston (Ga.) Times.*

The Royal Botanic Garden of Calcutta has completed the first century of its existence. It practically established the now flourishing tea industry of that country. The Directors were the first to grow potatoes in India, and they imported the chinchona tree from South America, and made India one of the great quinine-producing countries of the world. From the West Indies they brought the best varieties of sugar cane, while systematic and successful experiments were made in the garden with flax, hemp, tobacco, India rubber, tapioca, cocoa, coffee, vanilla, ipecacuanha and many other valuable products.

**Completeness.**

O love that all my being warms!  
O love that shields my life from storms!  
O love that every impulse wills,  
And every flitting fancy fills!  
O love that shines through all my dreams  
Like starlight through the summer streams  
That thrills with melody my days,  
And rounds all discord into praise!—  
I lean my face upon thy breast  
As bends the moon-ray to the west,  
And calmly, in my open boat,  
I floating sing and singling float,  
I wait no more by wayside lakes;  
To daily with the reeds and brakes;  
Behind me fade the mountain snows,  
And in my face the June wind blows,  
While strong and wide the currents sweep  
Toward the ever-calling deep.  
O love that rocks me in its arms,  
And makes me brave amidst alarms!  
I know not where thy stream may lead,  
Through rocky pass or flowery mead,  
I only feel that I am blest;  
I only know I am at rest.

—*James G. Clark.*

**Make Your Daughters Independent.**

From an "Open Letter," in *The Century* for May, we quote as follows:—"Would it not be wiser far to induce young girls in thousand of happy, prosperous homes to make ample provision for any and all emergencies that the future may have in store for them? Could a better use be found for some of the years that intervened between the time she may reasonably hope to marry? The field of woman's work has been opened up of late years in so many different directions that a vocation can easily be found, outside the profession of teaching that will be quite as congenial to refined tastes, and considerably more lucrative. Book-keeping, type-writing, telegraphy, stenography, engraving, dentistry, medicine, nursing and a dozen other occupations might be mentioned. Then, too, industrial schools might be established, where the daughters of wealthy parents could be trained in the practical details of any particular industry for which they displayed a special aptitude. If it is not beneath the sons and daughters of republican America to emulate their good example provided they possess the requisite ability to do so.

Two years will suffice to make any bright quick girl conversant with all the mysteries of the art of housekeeping, especially if she be wise enough to study the art practically. The management of servants and the care of the sick and children will be incidentally learned in most homes, and can be supplemented by a more extended study of physiology, hygiene, etc., than was possible at school. Sewing need not be neglected either, while leisure will readily be found for reading or any other recreation that may suit individual tastes. Another year, or longer, may be added to the time devoted to these pursuits, if desired. But, above all let two or three years be conscientiously set apart for the express purpose of acquiring a thorough experimental knowledge of some art or vocation which would render its possessor self-supporting and, consequently, independent.

"If the tide of public opinion favoring such a course would but set in many a one would be spared untold suffering and misery in after life. Let the rich set the example in this matter. They can afford to do whatever pleases them, and, therefore, have it in their power to mould public opinion. Be not afraid girls that you will find your self-imposed task irksome. Remember that occupation is necessary to happiness, and that there is no reason why you should not dream while you work.

"The cry will be raised that there is danger that such a plan as the one advocated here will tend to give girls a distaste for the quiet retirement of home, but there is little cause for fear. Not one girl in twenty will voluntarily choose a business life in preference to domestic happiness. Indeed it is absolutely certain marriages would be promoted by this very independence among women. Not being at leisure to nurse every passing fancy, girls would elect to wait patiently until the light of true love came into their lives."

**The Greatest Show on Earth.**

A writer in a recent book about traveling in the East, telling of the slow pace and multitude of animals required in caravan traveling, makes the calculation that the Israelites, when they went from Egypt under Moses, must have had a caravan at least a hundred leagues long and must have employed six million camels. The parade for the youthful Egyptian saw it pass.



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### VOLUME FOURTEEN.

The current issue of the INDEPENDENT begins volume fourteen.

And we are still on deck, taking observations.

Upon the strength of being enabled to say this much we might present a lengthy editorial.

But we won't.

As the INDEPENDENT advances in years it gains in strength, in patronage, and we trust, a little in wisdom. Don't hastily infer that the age of a newspaper or of a newspaper editor determines the amount of wisdom possessed by either. You might make a mistake.

We have been in the newspaper business long enough to discover:

That it is somewhat easier to tell somebody how to conduct a newspaper than—conduct it.

That an editor's life, however common-place, is none the less an interesting one.

That an independent newspaper, having political opinions of its own, must occasionally direct a missile into a nest of party hornets for revenue only, and that a certain amount of entertainment is sure to follow.

That newspaper editors, to be true to the public, ought to speak in behalf of the public good, always, and that misleading utterances prompted by selfish motives are ever reprehensible.

That we esteem more highly our mass of readers and patrons than the readers who belong to some other editor's family, and not to ours, and that's so, too.

That the INDEPENDENT isn't done growing, and won't be for some time to come.

GENERAL SHERIDAN'S condition is somewhat improved.

THE Maine Republicans in Convention the other day cheered most lustily for twenty minutes after the mention of Blaine's name. That was a manifestation of enthusiasm for the magnetic leader, if you please.

A LATE cablegram from Berlin, Germany, says Emperor Frederick is fast approaching the final stage of his incurable malady, and even the doctors are now forced to admit that his condition is absolutely hopeless.

BLAINE AND FORAKER is the latest combination. The result of the Republican Convention in Chicago, a week hence, will be likely to surprise a good many people. Here's a prediction: Either Blaine, Depew or Gresham will head the ticket.

MOST of our readers have learned ere this of the result of the Democratic National Convention held at St. Louis last week. Cleveland and Thurman are to be standard bearers for the Democratic party in the great presidential contest of 1888. We do not see how the Democracy could have done better in the selection of their candidates. The nomination of Cleveland was a foregone conclusion before the Convention met and the selection of Ex-Senator Thurman, of Ohio, was certainly a first-class nomination.

THE Norristown School Board recently passed a resolution prohibiting the presentation of flowers and gifts to the High School graduates in public. This action on the part of the school directors of the Hub is most worthy of exalted compliment. The board generously decided to purchase a bouquet for each of the graduates, and thus all will be treated alike. The custom of giving bouquets and gifts to school graduates has always been a questionable one to many thinking people, and the many heartaches caused by its attendant inequalities was doubtless the reason why the Norristown School Board wisely determined to inaugurate a reform.

THE conferees of Montgomery and Bucks have done their laborious task at last. A final meeting was held in Philadelphia last Saturday, when a resolution submitted by Sir Wanger was carried unanimously. The resolution accepted provides, among other things, that "one delegate in each of the counties for 150 such votes, or one part thereof cast therein, shall be apportioned to each county."

among the election districts of each county by the chairmen of the respective County Conventions." Fair resolution, that.

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our regular correspondent.

WASHINGTON, June 8, 1888.—This has been the dull week of the season in Congress. The centre of political interest shifted for the time from Washington to St. Louis. Quite a number of our democratic lawmakers hied away to the National Convention, leaving the all important tariff debate to do the best it could during their absence.

The latter measure did not make much progress, as was expected. Congress has not been paralyzed however. It is entirely too large a body to be influenced by the absence of a hundred or so members. Its work has gone on in a quiet way, and although overshadowed by the Presidential Nominating Convention, as much has been accomplished as is usual in the same length of time.

On Wednesday the House got as far as the sixteenth line of the tariff bill, but it required a Congressman of great application to sit quietly by and give his serious attention to this discussion while the bulletins from the St. Louis Convention were being posted every few moments in the corridor.

The Cleveland red rose was largely worn by the democratic members, and several enterprising pages of the House secured a large supply of bandanna handkerchiefs, which they distributed freely. Every body had a bandanna—even the most dignified legislators could be seen flaunting the flag of the "Old Roman" in a significant manner. Mr. Randall spread his out over his desk; Gen. Spinola tied his, flag fashion to the brass rod in front of his desk; Representative Lawler tucked his in his vest front, and from every democratic pocket peeped the ruddy cloth.

The tariff debate was plodding along over the "lumber clause" when Mr. Cox, of N. Y., created a diversion by asking permission to have read a dispatch from St. Louis, announcing President Cleveland's renomination by acclamation. This was greeted with vociferous applause by the Democrats, and Mr. Tarnney, who had the floor, waved his bandanna rapturously. As soon as the democrats had quieted down the Republicans answered them with a round of applause and hand-clapping. The Democrats joined in this again, and the scene was continued for several minutes.

On Wednesday the White House was as quiet as it usually is on these summer days and there were no indications outside that its occupant had just received a re-nomination for the high office he now holds. In the morning Mr. Cleveland drove in from Oak View, his country residence, and went to work as usual with the mass of papers requiring his attention. He permitted no visible anxiety about news from the Convention, but he read all the telegrams with great interest. At noon he went down to the reception in the East room and shook hands with the people who had gathered there to see him. Later, when the bulletin announcing his re-nomination was received, he was seated at his desk. Col. Lamont read him the telegram, and after exchanging a few remarks, the President went on with his work as if nothing had happened. Soon the congratulatory telegrams began to pour in from all over the country in large numbers.

Immediately after the receipt of the news Col. Lamont telephoned to Oak View, to Mrs. Cleveland, who showed much more delight over the tidings than her husband had done.

The choice of Vice-Presidential candidates on each of the old party tickets is of vital importance at this election because of the possibility that the President of the Senate for the next two sessions may have the casting vote on all questions of sufficient interest to cause a division on party lines. The terms of twelve Democratic Senators expire on the 4th of March 1889. Of all these the only seat which the republicans can hope to win is that of Mr. McPherson, of New Jersey.

As Senator Riddleberger will make way for Mr. Barbour, of Va., the Democrats are sure of being no worse off in the next Senate than they are now while, in case Mr. McPherson should be succeeded by a Democrat, they will have exactly the same number of Senators as the Republicans, and can tie them on every party vote.

Should the next Senate be tied, an efficient parliamentarian could do corresponding benefit, and an inefficient one could do corresponding injury. And, should the Vice-President-elect die between the casting of the electoral vote and the meeting of the Senate, it would be doubtful whether that body would be able to organize at all.

### Pensions For Widows.

BENEFICIARIES ENTITLED TO PENSION FROM THE DATE OF THEIR HUSBAND'S DEATH.

Congress has just enacted that pensions heretofore or hereafter granted to widows of soldiers of the war of the rebellion shall commence at the date of the death of their husbands. This legislation favorably affects all claims of widows of the late war which have been filed in the Pension Office on or after July 1, 1880, and which have been allowed to commence from the date of filing the claims, but will not favorably

affect the cases of such widows as were filed before July 1, 1880, and which have been allowed, pension having already been granted in those cases from the date of their husbands' death. The commissioner of Pensions gives notice that in the settlement of claims under this law already allowed no formal application will be required, and that the services of attorneys will not be necessary. Widows entitled under said law need only write a letter giving name, post office address and certificate number, and the claims will be allowed with as little delay as practicable. This legislation was recommended by General Black in his last annual report.

### Tortured for his Money.

A SUPPOSED MISER ROASTED BY A BAND OF ROBBERS.

PITTSBURG, June 11.—An atrocious outrage is reported from Fairchance about two miles from Uniontown. Samuel Humbert an old resident of Fairchance, was assaulted by masked men at his residence at midnight Saturday and subjected to great tortures to make him disclose where his money was secreted. At a late hour Humbert, who lives alone, was aroused by a knock at his door. In response to his inquiries as to who was there the men outside asked for a drink of water. When the old man opened the door to comply with their request he was seized and gagged. Two ruffians then searched the house, but failed to find anything of value, whereupon they commanded their captive to surrender his money and valuables. He insisted that he had no money. The two fiends then built a fire in the grate, and drawing the old man up to it, roasted his feet until they were blistered and shockingly burned. Still the old man protested that he had no money and implored them to release him. They threatened to set the house on fire if he did not confess. After turning everything in the house upside down and ripping up the carpet in their search for money, they bound the old man hand and foot and departed. Humbert after a desperate struggle freed himself and gave the alarm. His neighbors gathered and organized a search party to hunt the rascals down. The fugitives were tracked a considerable distance and have, it is said, been located.

### A Scare That Does Not Scare.

From the Philadelphia Times.

The politicians are trying to convince the American people that American industries are in a bad way at present, but the stubborn facts refuse to coincide with the politicians. There is no surer index of business activity than the figures showing the progress of new railway building. Taking the figures for five months from January to June it appears that there have been laid in thirty-two States and Territories, on 123 lines, 2,271 miles of new railway. During the first five months of 1887 only 2,351 miles were laid, or 80 miles more than during the corresponding term for 1888. Assuming that the ratio of new track laid during the entire twelve months averages about the same from year to year, this would allow for at least 12,000 miles of new additions to the railway mileage of the country for this year, an amount second only to the additions of 1887, when the unprecedentedly high figure of 13,000 miles was reached. The total new mileage of 1884 was 3,325 miles; of 1886, 9,000 miles, and of 1887 nearly 13,000. The inclement weather of the first three months and the preliminary surveying, grading and bridge-building always hinder track laying during the first half of the year in our climate, so that taking one year with another only from 20 to 30 per cent. of the completed work of the year is credited to the first five months. In the new work of 1888 California takes the lead, with 279 miles; Georgia comes next, with 195 miles; Alabama third, with 146 miles; Kansas fourth, with 137; Kentucky fifth, with 132; followed by Texas with 117; Missouri, with 112, and Tennessee, with 111 miles. The greatest activity is thus seen to be in the South and on the Pacific slope and in States already largely developed. The new railway mileage is not being built to open up and develop unoccupied territory, but to finish transportation to territory already populated and measurably developed. As there is no complaint of dullness in the demand for builders' hardware or agriculture machinery, the two industries that next to railroad building absorb the most iron and steel it is evident that the fates are against the politicians who are trying to engineer a business scare this year.

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KEYSTONE STORE,

April 12, '88. NORRISTOWN, PA.

## FARMERS,

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## YOUR INTERESTS!

"A penny saved is a penny made." In buying a fertilizer buy a phosphate that shows the highest analysis, as poor phosphates cannot possibly analyze well. You cannot get "blood out of a turnip," nor can you get value out of a phosphate that only shows a comparative commercial value far below its selling price, which you see in the case with most fertilizers made.

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gain first attention of the boys. A story of training-school life, "Plucky Smalls: His Story," the title—it is full of fun and adventure. Elbridge S. Brooks tells us about Polo N. Anstey has a funny dog story. But we cannot enter in this issue. Your newswriter has it for twenty cents—or send to the publishers, D. Lothrop Company Boston. The subscription price is \$2.40 a year. Do you know that *Wide Awake* has offered \$2000 in prizes for contributions from those connected in any way with schools? The March number (20 cents) has full particulars.

### Philadelphia Markets

PHILADELPHIA, May 12, 1888.

CATTLE.	
Milk Cows, extra, per pound,	\$25 00 to \$30 00
Beef Cattle, extra, per pound,	50 10 to 55 10
"    "    "    "    "    "    "    "	45 10 to 50 10
"    "    "    "    "    "    "    "	40 10 to 45 10
Calves, extra, per pound,	5 10 to 6 10
Sheep, extra, per pound,	4 10 to 5 10
Lambs, extra, per pound,	5 10 to 6 10
Hogs, extra, per pound,	7 10 to 8 10

For the week ending June 9, 1888, there were received at the Hay Market, 7th Street, above Oxford, 315 loads of hay and 45 loads of straw, which were sold at the following average prices during the week:

Prime Timothy, per 100 lbs.	\$ 90 to 1 00
Mixed, per 100 lbs.	80 to 90
Straw, per 100 lbs.	1 35 to 1 45

### LOST!

Early Thursday morning, June 7, a short distance below the residence of the late Dr. A. G. Coleman, deceased, Limerick, a pair of gold spectacles and case. A suitable reward will be paid the finder by leaving the same at THIS OFFICE.

### J. D. GRAVER, M. D.,

Physician and Pharmacist,

TRAPPE, PA.

Eighteen years' experience. Can be consulted in English or German. 14 July

### PROPOSALS FOR JULY, 1888.

The Directors of the Poor and House of Employment of Montgomery county invite sealed proposals for the following articles, at the above named Almshouse, on

MONDAY, JULY 2, 1888.

- 12 pieces Appleton A muslin.
  - 12 " Cottonade.
  - 1 " Fine muslin.
  - 1 " Bed Tick.
  - 2 " Lead colored chintz.
  - 2 " Cotton flannel (for coat lining).
  - 20 dozen Spool cotton (Coates' or Clarke's) No. 34 (black).
  - 10 " Spool cotton, Coates' or Clarke's, No. 40, black.
  - 30 " Spool cotton, Coates' or Clarke's, No. 40, white.
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  - 300 pounds Smoking tobacco, 1/4 lb. packages.
  - 300 " " " " " "
  - 400 " Coffee, unroasted.
  - 25 " Black pepper (strictly pure).
  - 300 " Barley.
  - 2 boxes Tea.
  - 2 " Hand scrubs.
  - 1 " Scrubbing brushes.
  - 1 barrel Rice.
  - 1 " Peas.
  - 2 sacks of Fine salt.
  - 2 barrels of A Sugar.
  - 1 " " " "
  - 1 " Granulated Sugar.
  - 1 " Syrup.
- Samples of goods required. All goods to be delivered at Almshouse or either of the depots at Phoenixville free of freight.
- WM. G. WRIGHT,  
HARRY S. LOWERY, } Directors.  
JOHN O. CLEMENS,  
Attest: David H. Ross, Clerk.

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### THE OLD STAND

## RE-OPENED!

The undersigned has re-opened the old (Fry) Store Stand in upper part of Trappe, with a full variety of Store Goods and is prepared to accommodate the public in the best manner.

### Dry Goods and Groceries

DRESS GOODS, CALICOES, MUSLINS, GINGHAMS, TABLE LINENS, TRIMMINGS, EDGINGS, &c.

Groceries in assortment, best qualities, all the time.

### Queensware

Large Assortment, latest styles; Earthenware Hardware—Forks, Rakes, Shovels, Spades, &c., &c., &c.

—IN—

## Boots & Shoes

For men, women and children, we defy competition in styles, prices and qualities. Examine our stock before making your purchases.

### F. B. RUSHONG,

TRAPPE, PA.

### SPRING TALK

—AT—

## RAHN STATION!

C. J. BUCKLEY calls the attention of the public to his stock of SPRING GOODS:

Every department of the store well stocked. Goods arriving daily; prices lower than ever.

BOOT AND SHOE DEPARTMENT.

Gum Boots, best makes, Cander, Woonsocket, and Celebrated Duck, \$2.50 per pair.

Men's Gum Shoes, best make, 50c. per pair

Boys' " " " 35c. " "

Ladies' " " " 50c. " "

Children's " " " 30c. " "

Men's French Calf Shoes, in Button, Lace or Congress, \$2.50 per pair, sold elsewhere at \$3.

Men's Medium Weight Calf Shoes, from \$1.25 to \$2.00 per pair.

Men's Every-day Plow Shoes, \$1.00 to \$1.25 per pair.

The above grades are all first-class and bargains at the price. We bought them direct from the manufacturers, and can save you the middle man's profit.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S SHOES.

Ladies' Peb. Button, Solid, \$1.25, worth \$1.75.

Ladies' Kid, Hand-worked Button Holes, \$2.00, worth \$2.50.

Misses' Morocco, Hand-worked Button Holes, \$1.50, worth \$2.00.

Children's Solid Tip Shoes, in all sizes, Spring Heel and Common Heel, 25 per cent. less than regular price.

Infant Shoes, 40c., worth 50c.

Better ones, 70c., worth \$1.00.

DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.—This department is filled with seasonable things: Ladies' Suitings, Crepeilles, Seersuckers, Dress Gingham, Wool Stripes and Plaids, Ladies' Kid Gloves, Silk Gloves, Lisle Thread, Muslins, Sheetings, Bleached and Unbleached, at wholesale prices.

Have you visited our Queensware, Glassware and Tinware Department—Second floor, rooms No. 1 and 2. Our Hardware and Grocery Department is well stocked with everything you want or can think of. Men's Spring Hats, latest styles and shapes. We have a large invoice of seed potatoes coming direct from Prince Edward Island, which we will sell by the barrel or bushel. Garden Seeds of all kinds, in bulk or packages. Liverpool Salt by the car load; Course and Fine Cement, Cane Plaster, Sand, Paints, Oils, Putty, Glass (any size cut to order), Rims, Shafts, Spokes, &c., &c.

C. J. BUCKLEY,

P. O. Ironbridge. Rahn Station, Pa.

## NOT

## AN EARTHQUAKE!

BUT SIMPLY AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF FACTS IN REGARD TO OUR IMMENSE

—STOCK OF—

## DRY GOODS!

For the Spring and Summer Trade of '88, consisting of a splendid assortment of

Dress Goods, Gingham, Calicoes,

Shirtings, Table Linen, &c.

## CLOTHS AND CASSIMERES

For Suitings for men and boys.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.—Neckwear, Cuffs, Buttons, Scarf Pins, Lace Pins, Rings, &c.

Just received a large and carefully selected stock of the latest styles in

## SHOES AND HATS,

Which we are selling at prices consistent with the times.

Glassware, Woodenware, Queensware,

Hardware, Floor and Table Oil

Cloth, Window Shades, Wall

Paper, The best Rubber

Paints a Specialty.

## GROCERIES!

Always the best. Raisins, Peaches, Prunes, Currants, Canned Goods, &c., in fact everything that is kept in a well stocked country store.

Yours Respectfully,

## Beaver & Shellenberger,

TRAPPE, PA.

### ESTATE NOTICE!

Estate of John Spare, late of Perkiomen, Montgomery county, deceased. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims against the same, will present them without delay in proper order for settlement to

JOHN FRICK, Executor,

Squire's Store P. O., Chester Co., Pa.

Frank March, Attorney.

## WE DO NOT CARE TO KNOW JUST NOW

WHO WILL BE PRESIDENT OF THESE GREAT UNITED STATES A YEAR HENCE; NOBODY KNOWS.

BUT EVERYBODY WANTS TO BUY STORE GOODS FROM A GOOD Assortment and at the Lowest Possible Figures, granting the Storekeeper an average amount of bread and butter. If you will

## Call at GOTWALS' STORE, PROVIDENCE SQUARE,

You will find a WELL-STOCKED COUNTRY STORE, full to the top, with Goods Staple in Character and Needed by Everybody.

It is unnecessary to name the goods and prices, but we will compete with town or country prices, excepting figures which mean sooner or later forced sales. All we ask is a living profit.

## JOSEPH G. GOTWALS,

PROVIDENCE SQUARE.

## COLLEGEVILLE DRUG STORE.

### CULBERT'S

COUGH SYRUP for Colds, Croup, Coughs, &c.

LINIMENT, for Sprains, Burns, Frosted Feet, &c.

WORM SYRUP, Pleasant, Safe and Effectual.

CAMPION CREAM, a sure remedy for Chapped Hands and Face, and Pains on

Chest resulting from Colds.

VANDERSLOE'S SPAYIN CURE, an Effectual Remedy.



# Providence Independent.

Thursday, June 14, 1888.

TERMS—\$1.25 PER YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

This paper has a larger circulation in this section of the county than any other paper published. As an advertising medium the "Independent" ranks among the most desirable papers, having a large and steadily increasing circulation in various localities throughout the county.

It is the aim of the editor and publisher to make the "Independent" one of the best local and general newspapers in the county, or anywhere else, and to this end we invite correspondence from every section.

## PERKIMEN RAILROAD.

We publish the following schedule gratuitously for the convenience of our readers. Passenger trains leave Collegeville Station as follows:

FOR PHILADELPHIA AND POINTS SOUTH.	
Milk.....	6.47 a. m.
Accommodation.....	8.03 a. m.
Market.....	1.22 p. m.
Accommodation.....	7.12 p. m.
FOR ALLENTOWN AND POINTS NORTH AND WEST.	
Mail.....	6.47 a. m.
Accommodation.....	8.03 a. m.
Market.....	1.22 p. m.
Accommodation.....	7.12 p. m.
SUNDAYS—SOUTH.	
Milk.....	6.50 a. m.
Accommodation.....	8.03 a. m.
NORTH.	
Milk.....	10.03 a. m.
Accommodation.....	5.34 p. m.

## Home Flashes and Stray Sparks From Abroad.

—The initial number of volume fourteen!

—Thirteen years!

—"How time flies!" And it never tires of flying. We must let it fly.

—The addition of thirteen years to a man's life attracts but little attention. If thirteen inches could be added to his nose everybody passing would take note of the addition.

—But let us change the subject:

—M. R. Longstreth, one of the suave and genial Juniors of Ursinus has our thanks for a handsome lithograph invitation to the Junior class exercises, commencement week.

—Observe the change in the advertisement of the Roberts Machine Company on the fourth page of this issue. Read the new ad.

—Perhaps it was the overpowering influence of an enterprising spirit that induced the disciple of hygiene to spend part of a Sunday in constructing a pigsty. Now don't inform the gentleman's pastor.

—We are under obligations to Root & Tinker, artists, Tribune building, N. Y., for a finely executed crayon portrait of George Washington Childs of the Philadelphia Ledger.

—Dr. J. D. Graver, physician and pharmacist, of Trappe, advertises his card in another column. The Dr. appears to be a very genial sort of a man.

—Neighbor Blanchford informs us that he has leased, until otherwise disposed of by the owner, the vacant land fronting on Broadway between his residence and Mr. Yost's premises.

—Miss Annie Anderson kindly favored the editor's family when she sent those sweet scented June roses and luscious water berries.

—That "wheelbarrow brigade," Bro. Roberts, is evidently about as big a nuisance as the "old depot." Straight, isn't it?

—D. H. Casselberry will arrive at his stables near this place, with another car load of Virginia horses to-day. Go and see them. Mr. Casselberry deals in good stock.

—The annual statement of the Superintendents of Upper Providence will be found in another column.

—The Daily News, Pottstown, has done an entire new suit, and is manifesting various commendable features of journalistic progress.

—Our Peter I. B. Wismer, has painted his corn—not black this time.

—Daniel Shuler, undertaker, of Trappe, is enlarging his house. That French roof will be quite an improvement, Daniel.

—Miss Nora Nelson of Fredrick, Md., and Miss Jessie Snively of Shady Grove, Franklin county, are the guests of Miss Katie M. Willard, of Trappe.

—Mr. F. P. Faringer, of Ironbridge, a gentleman well and favorably known to many of our readers, has leased and taken possession of the large flour and grist mills at Arcola. It is the opinion of his friends that Mr. Faringer will be the right man in the right place.

## An Immense Catfish.

There was more or less wild excitement about town last Friday morning. C. T. Hunsicker, of Ironbridge, who lately returned from a trip to California, had been out fishing in the placid waters of the Perkiomen the night before, and the big catch he made, and which he was exhibiting to some of his friends about here, was what excited our amateur and professional fishermen. It was just our misfortune to be out of town when Mr. Hunsicker visited the sanctum; nevertheless our right bower William took the dimensions of the catfish, and upon our arrival home a slip of paper on the table read: "Tremendous catfish; weight, 74 pounds; length, 25 inches; measurement between the eyes, 5 inches. That was a whopper, most

surely, and until all the fishermen in the county are heard from, Mr. Hunsicker will undoubtedly stand up head.

## Religious.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in Trinity church, this place, on next Sabbath, the 17th inst., at 10 o'clock, a. m. Preparatory services on Saturday afternoon previous at 2 30 o'clock.

## Blanket Thieves.

Thursday night, a miscreant visited Mr. Theo. Hallman's wagon house, this place, and stole therefrom three blankets; also a very fine lap cover that was knitted by Mrs. Hallman some years ago. The sneak thief had evidently seen that lap cover before he made the raid.

## Y. P. A., Anniversary.

The anniversary of the Y. P. A., will be held in St. Luke's Reformed church, Trappe, this (Thursday) evening, June 14, at 8 o'clock. A good program has been arranged for the occasion. Prof. Hendricks, of Ursinus College, will deliver the anniversary address. All invited.

## New Music.

The Indian Summer Time—A beautiful song and chorus by Will L. Thompson, author of many musical gems. It is one of the prettiest songs ever published; any music dealer will mail it for 40 cents. Published by W. L. Thompson & Co., East Liverpool, Ohio.

## Musical Entertainment.

A musical entertainment will be given in Ursinus College chapel on Thursday evening, June 21. The entertainment will be under the direction of Prof. Stein, the professor of music of Ursinus, and the members of his class will contribute to the success of the instrumental and vocal efforts of the evening.

## Valuation and Taxes.

The aggregate value of all the property in Montgomery county, taxable for county purposes, is \$67,750,095; for State purposes, \$17,109,120. The total county tax—if it could all be collected—would be (at the rate of 3 mills) \$203,250.28. On the same condition the State tax from Montgomery county would amount to 451,327.86.

## Milkmen's Convention.

The milkmen of Bucks, Montgomery and Chester counties will hold a convention at the Fair Grounds, Norristown, on Thursday, June 22, at 9 o'clock, a. m. Those who ship milk from the various railroad stations in said counties to Philadelphia are requested to send at least one representative for every station. Matters of importance concerning the interests of the milkmen will be considered.

## The Pottstown Fair.

The annual spring fair of the Montgomery, Berks, and Chester Agricultural and Horticultural Society held at Pottstown last week, was a success, fair weather smiled upon the enterprise this time, and the managers felt somewhat elated over a clean profit of about \$1000. The exhibitions of speed were quite satisfactory, although many lovers of the turf were disappointed Thursday afternoon when it was announced that "Ino" was not in condition and would not appear on the track.

## Vice President R. M. Root.

Not Vice-President of the United States, but Vice President of the Montgomery, Berks and Chester Agricultural Society of Pottstown, and proprietor of the leading Gents' Furnishings Goods Emporium of that place. He was a busy man at the Fair last week, while his capable sons were busy waiting on customers at the store. In hats, caps, shirts, neckties, collars, gloves, &c., &c., Mr. Root leads in the upper end of the county. When you go to Pottstown be sure to call and examine his stock of goods.

## Rev. J. H. Hector.

Rev. J. H. Hector, the colored orator of California, occupied the rostrum in Gross' hall, Wednesday evening of last week, and delivered a stirring discourse upon the subject of Prohibition. His illustrations were interesting and his irony rather piquant. Some of the Ursinus boys cheered Mr. Hector; some of the boys didn't cheer, this being a Presidential year for a political party other than Prohibition. Mr. Hector's remarks before the close of the meeting, didn't spit the boys at all.

## Festivals.

Strawberries and ice cream; June roses, buttonhole bouquets; smiling lads and lassies.

The first festival accorded mention this week will be held in the grove of the Episcopal church, Evansburg, next Saturday afternoon and evening. Of course, we'll all go. If the weather is favorable the attendance will be large.

The same afternoon and evening, the Shannonsville Sunday school will hold their annual festival in the chapel at that place, and the preparations being made bespeak a profitable occasion.

Jr. O. U. A. M. No. 25, of Evansburg, will hold a strawberry and ice cream festival in Johnson's grove, at Cassel's school house, on Saturday evening, June 23. The boys will exert every effort to make the event a success. The Eagleville band will furnish music.

The Garwood Union Sunday school, not to be behind this year in enterprises of the kind, will hold a strawberry and ice cream festival in the Almshouse grove, Saturday afternoon and evening, June 23. Music will be furnished by a brass band.

Patronize the festivals, if you can.

## Meeting of School Directors.

The School Directors of this Independent School District had a meeting Tuesday evening. The Board was reorganized by electing Charles H. Tyson President; P. Willard, Secretary; J. H. Richard, Treasurer. The length of the coming school term was fixed at eight months. The examination of teachers for the district will be held at Gross, hall, this place, Saturday, July 16.

## Lost a Mare.

Thomas L. Griffin, of near Oaks station, this township, lost a valuable brood mare a few days ago, a short time after the animal had given birth to a colt. Mr. Griffin informs us that he is feeding the young suckling with cow's milk and he expects to see it grow in strength and size. Mr. Sam'l Hallman, the well-known live stock dealer, has sold Mr. Griffin a horse to take the place in part of the animal he lost.

## Valley Forge.

While Col. T. W. Bean, of Norris town, was in Virginia on his Memorial Day trip he met Hon. John S. Wise and induced him to consent to prepare and read a paper on "Virginia and Valley Forge" before the Montgomery County Historical Society at a field meeting to be held on the historic camp ground in the last week of August or first week of September. The distinguished Virginian has become interested in the spot, and looks forward with pleasure to his northern trip.

## Capturing a Tramp.

Our Arcola correspondent sends us the following: "One evening last week the small village of Arcola was the scene of a desperate and thrilling capture of a tramp—one of the every day type of tramps, who begs his grub and steals his sleep. He was about performing his last act for the day in the vacant end of a house occupied by five persons; but he became tired of his loneliness and proceeded to introduce himself to the occupants of the other part of the house. He did so, and there was a reception tendered him in the shape of shot guns, pistols, dinner horns, and female voices, to which the tramp modestly succumbed, and surrendered himself, hat and all. The miller, by this time, arrived with fowling piece in one hand, pistol in the other, ready as always to protect his neighbors. However, the poor tramp was allowed to depart. Next morning he was seen leaving the locality. Tramps will please beware." H. R. D.

## FROM GRATER'S FORD.

The hay house erected by Fuss and Grater is fast nearing completion. The building was raised on Tuesday last. H. H. Yellis and his force of men are pushing the work so as to have it completed in a short time. They expect to have it ready for hay in about ten days or two weeks.

Jacob Fuss had a fine walk laid in front and around the side of his handsome residence last week. It is of Wyoming stone flagging.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Markley spent Sunday visiting friends in Norristown.

The Sunday school at this place is making an addition of some new books to its library.

Prof. Howard Miller of McPherson, Kansas, spent a few days in this place last week.

H. B. Keyser, apprentice at Samuel L. Grater's, had the misfortune to cut his foot badly while bathing on Thursday evening last. He has been off duty for several days in consequence of the same.

The new hay press for Fuss and Grater arrived last week. It will be placed in the new building as soon as it is completed.

## College Notes.

Dr. Bomberger lectured at Palatine College last Friday, and on Sunday he preached in the Reformed church at Myerstown.

Last Friday evening the Schaffs had their annual open meeting. At 8.15 the society marched into the hall while the college orchestra was playing an opening march. The meeting was called to order by the President, M. R. Longstreth. Roll call and devotional exercises followed. Horace Wagner then declaimed, "Press On." After an essay on "The Hope of Reward as a Motive," was read by Jay Francis, the orchestra favored the audience with music. P. E. Heimer then declaimed, "The Death of Leontius," and P. M. Spangler read an essay on "The Desire for Popularity," after which the Schaff chorus sang "Fair Freedom's Land." A declamation entitled "Shipwrecked" was rendered by Ralph Royer. An essay on "True Courage" was read by C. K. Willard, and Ralph Royer gave a flute solo, entitled, "The Pirate." He was accompanied on the piano by Miss M. T. Kratz. Ernest Glap, the orator of the evening, delivered an oration entitled "Retribution." He was followed by music by the orchestra. After the orchestra had responded to an encore, with Yankee Doodle, the Glee Club was read by the editor, John Wagner. After singing the Doxology the meeting adjourned. All the speakers acquitted themselves creditably.

Prof. Steins' class will give a musical entertainment in the college chapel on Thursday evening, June 21.

H. G. Allebach, a former student, spent a few days at the college last week. He intends to enter the sophomore class in the fall.

Ira Bryner, of the college, spent part of last week with his friends in Lancaster county.

Mr. S. D. Schwartz, of Shippensburg, spent Sunday with his brothers at college.

## Matrimonial Alliances.

May 26, at the Lutheran parsonage, Trappe, by Rev. O. P. Smith, Mr. Henry Herschinger, of Ironbridge, and Miss Annie Ida Bauman, of Ziegler'sville, this county.

May 21, at the Lutheran parsonage, Trappe, by Rev. O. P. Smith, Mr. Edwin H. Bauman and Miss Ida D. Markley, both of Schwencicks, this county.

June 2, at the Lutheran parsonage, Trappe, by Rev. O. P. Smith, Mr. Byron G. Grater and Miss Maggie B. Ziegler, both of Limerick, this county.

On the 6th of June, 1888, Dr. Sam'l M. Lane and Miss Bertha Coleman, daughter of the late Dr. A. G. Coleman, both of Limerick township, were married in St. James' Lutheran and Reformed church, Limerick Centre, by Rev. J. B. Shumaker, D. D., of Trappe, in the presence of a large concourse of relatives and friends from the vicinity and Pottstown, Reading, Philadelphia, and other points. Throughout the event was one of the most elaborate of its kind ever witnessed in Limerick. The reception at the residence of Mrs. Coleman, the bride's mother, was largely attended. A number of the guests from a distance were entertained in first-class style at the Limerick Square hotel, of which J. H. Brendlinger is proprietor. The gifts were beautiful, selected with good taste, and with a view to service and benefit to the happy couple as they begin and continue life together.

## Unable to Come.

Owing to the greatly increased practice at Norristown, Watt & Co., the leading dentists of the county, will be compelled to give up the contemplated office at Collegeville. Dr. Watt, has just made a wonderful discovery wherever by every operation performed by him is entirely painless. The most sensitive tooth can be excavated and filled or the decayed and aching teeth removed without pain. Dr. Watt, extracted more teeth last week than in any four weeks during his professional career. In every instance he questioned the patient if the operation was painful and miraculous as may seem not one felt the slightest feeling of pain. Watt & Co., are ahead in their profession. Their card appears permanently in the INDEPENDENT. Read it, compare their methods and prices with others.

By one of our reporters.

## Wedding in Collegeville.

On Thursday last, June 7, at 11 o'clock, a. m., at the beautiful home of the bride's parents, Miss Adele, eldest daughter of Capt. H. E. Fetterolf, of Collegeville, and Mr. Horace F. Miller, of Limerick Square, were united in the silken bonds of holy wedlock in the smiling presence of upwards of fifty relatives and invited guests, the Rev. J. H. Hendricks being the officiating clergyman. The bride received numerous, useful and beautiful gifts, among which were, viz: A large family bible from the parents of the groom, an onyx table, two china tea sets, two parlor lamps, one student's lamp, handsome clock, silver tea service, silverware and cut glassware in almost every variety, smyrna rug, counterpanes, table linen, &c., &c. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome gold watch and chain. Guests were present from Philadelphia, Reading, Phoenixville, Valley Forge, Limerick, Linfield, Trappe, Ironbridge and Collegeville.

The following were the guests, viz: Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fetterolf, Miss Hattie G. Fetterolf, Mr. Roscoe C. Fetterolf, Mr. and Mrs. Addison T. Miller, Miss Ella T. Miller, Mr. J. P. Miller, Mr. Edgar T. Miller, Mr. Newton T. Miller, Miss Alice Stauffer, President A. H. Fetterolf and wife of Grand College, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Fetterolf, Rev. J. H. Hendricks and wife, Mr. A. D. Fetterolf and wife, Mr. Geo. Z. Vander-slice and wife, Mr. G. H. Hobson and wife, Mr. C. E. Spore and wife, Mrs. Rebecca Fluck, Misses Elmina T. Miller, Flora Evans, Emily Evans, Bertha Hendricks, Sue Hunsicker, Sue Boyer, Katie Vandervelde, Mary Rowan, Mary Rimby, Mrs. W. D. Valentine, Misses Ella Dewiller, Hattie Willard, Minerva Weinberger, Ella Kline, Lizzie Gephart, Dr. E. A. Kruen, Prof. A. L. Landis, Messrs. Richard H. Hood, A. R. Jones, Charles Schaff, Charles Schaff, Percy Willard, Charles H. Dewiller, A. H. Hendricks.

Messrs. A. H. Hendricks, Edgar T. Miller, Roscoe C. Fetterolf and A. R. Hunsicker were the ushers, and well and gracefully did they perform the pleasant duties of their office. Mr. J. Howard Richard was the caterer, and with his usual efficient help, maintained his good name, by satisfying the wants of the inner man with the substantial of life, and all the delicacies of the season fitting a wedding feast. Mr. and Mrs. Horace T. Miller left on the 3.15 train from Collegeville station for their wedding tour of ten days or two weeks, and shortly after their return will take up their residence in Limerick Square, where Mr. Miller will be associated with his father in the tanning business.

## Grand Jury's Report. Sentences.

The Grand Jury for the June term of criminal court, Maurice E. Gilbert foreman, reported substantially as follows, last Saturday:

They have acted on seventy-six bills, sixty-three of which they returned true and thirteen they ignored. They also condemned the practice of so many petty cases being returned to court. They heard testimony and approved of building a county bridge over the branch creek between Upper Salford and Franconia townships. Also approved of freeing the Black Rock bridge over the Schuylkill river in Upper Providence township. They visited the Almshouse and County Jail and found them to be in a very satisfactory condition, and excellent order maintained. In conclusion the Grand Inquest extended their thanks to the Honorable Court and its officers for the courtesy they have received while in the performance of their duties.

The Court sentenced prisoners as follows:

Joseph Pearce, assault and battery, 30 days.  
Daniel Peters, larceny, 3 months from April 20th last.

## Wm. Cogan, sentence suspended two weeks.

Wm. Hunter, alias John Lannan, attempt at felonious entry, 3 months from May 10th last.

Wm. Clark, attempt at larceny, 3 months.

John Klusko, larceny, sentence suspended one week.

Philip Walsh, larceny, 4 months.

Isaac D. Pawling, embezzlement, 2 months, 15 days from April 12th last.

Irwin Small, f. and b., \$50 to Susan Buckwater for lying in expenses, and \$1.50 per week until the child becomes 7 years of age.

John Kilpatrick and Joseph McBride assault and battery and resisting an officer, 30 days each.

Franz Grandan, larceny, 1 year in the Eastern Penitentiary.

Philip Green, surety of the peace, sentence suspended until next Saturday.

Henry A. Boyer, 1 month 15 days from April 30th.

John Broadhead, robbery, 8 months from March 6th last.

## PUBLIC SALE OF FRESH COWS!

Will be sold at public sale, on MONDAY, JUNE 18, '88, at Perkiomen Bridge hotel, 15 head of fresh cows with calves direct from York county. Good judgment was exercised in the selection of this stock, and it will be to the interest of purchasers to attend sale at 2 o'clock p. m., sharp. Conditions by J. G. FETTEROLF, auct. I. H. JOHNSON, clerk.

## PUBLIC SALE OF FRESH COWS!

Will be sold at public sale on THURSDAY, JUNE 14, '88, at Smoyer's hotel, Trappe, 20 fresh cows and springers, from Lebanon county, Pa. This is a No. 1 lot of cows, and farmers and dairymen will do well by attending this sale. Among the lot is a very fine Alderney cow. Sale at 2 o'clock p. m., sharp. Conditions by J. G. FETTEROLF, auct. C. U. BEAN, clerk.

## PUBLIC SALE OF FRESH COWS!

Will be sold at public sale, on SATURDAY, JUNE 23, '88, at Smoyer's hotel, Trappe, 20 fresh cows and springers, from Lebanon county, where the subscriber spared neither time nor pains in selecting a lot of good cows. Among the lot are a number of extra cows in every particular. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by SILAS W. FISHER, auct. I. H. INGRAM, auct. C. U. BEAN, clerk.

## PRIVATE SALE OF Indiana Horses.

The undersigned arrived at his stables, Limerick Square, on TUESDAY, JUNE 5, with another car load of Indiana horses. Good colors, good action and style. A lot of first-class horses, suitable for all purposes. Come and examine them. Horses for the city market taken in exchange. I. T. MILLER.

## EXECUTORS' SALE OF REAL ESTATE!

The undersigned, executors of the estate of Henry Landis, late of Lower Providence township, deceased, will sell at public sale, on the premises, the following described real estate of said decedent, on MONDAY, JUNE 18, '88, a farm containing 50 acres, more or less, situate in Lower Providence township, Montgomery county, quite near the old Perkiomen Bridge, within 1/4 of a mile of Collegeville Station, Perkiomen township, containing 1/2 of a mile of the Schuylkill river, and adjoining lands of A. K. Hunsicker, Isaac Rhoads, Andrew Gottsall, Reuben Landis and others, fronting on the Ridge pike at the terminus of Perkiomen and Reading turnpikes. The improvements consist of a two-and-a-half story stone house, with 3 rooms on first floor, 5 rooms on second floor, and 3 rooms on third floor; a well of excellent water near the door. A stone barn, 44 x 40 feet, containing 14 cows and 6 horses, threshing floor; the usual number of necessary out-buildings; fruit trees in variety. The land is in a good state of cultivation, and naturally very productive. This farm is most delightfully located; has a river (Perkiomen) frontage of 2200 feet amply shaded by stately trees, and the surroundings are romantic and beautiful. This is a very desirable property and should receive the attention of purchasers. Those wishing to view the premises will please call on J. P. David residing thereon, or on Reuben Landis, executor, either of whom will cheerfully impart necessary information. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by JOSEPH LANDIS, Executors L. H. INGRAM, auct. H. H. ROBINSON, clerk.

## STATEMENTS OF SUPERVISORS OF UPPER PROVIDENCE TWP.

JOHN BARTHOLOMEW.	
RECEIPTS.	
Gross amt. of tax duplicate, \$2475 37	
Allowances, 15 15	\$2460 44
Cash of Supervisor Saylor, 70 70	
Deficit, 341 15	
	\$2878 29

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Labor and material in part, \$1881 37	
Lumber bills, 382 11	
Smith work and nails, 21 18	
Stone, 81 63	
Filling at Mont Clare, 131 45	
Copy of assessment, 30 00	
Printing receipts, 3 30	
Bond and oath of office, 5 00	
Labor books, 5 00	
To-day (self) at audit, 2 00	
243 days as supervisor, including the accounting of taxes and labor accounts, 450 00	\$3878 29

JOHN D. SAYLOR.	
RECEIPTS.	
Balance in hand last settlement, \$ 189 41	
Gross amt. tax duplicate, \$2132 98	
Allowances, 7 71	\$2125 27
	\$3911 68

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Labor and material in part, \$1645 98	
Lumber bills, 106 50	
Smith work, 14 40	
Lime, 5 00	
Spikes, 6 25	
Printing supervisors' statement, 5 00	
Interest on loan, 10 00	
Duplicate tax books, 12 00	
Boyd and oath of office, 1 25	
Labor books, 5 00	
Auditors' wages, 6 00	
To-day (self) at audit, 2 00	
House expenses, 5 50	
Cash paid Sup. Bartholomew, 76 40	
155 days as supervisor, including the settling of tax and labor accounts, 310 00	\$2211 73
Balance in Supervisor Saylor's hand, 100 00	
	\$3311 68

The above accounts were duly audited by the undersigned auditors of Upper Providence township, June 9, 1888, and found by them to be correct.

J. WARREN ROYER,  
E. LONGACRE,  
L. E. GRIFFIN.

## ANOTHER BLIZZARD

Has caused a reduction in prices of Vegetable Plants, at the

## Collegeville Greenhouses!

The same to hold good until further notice. 150,000 CELERY PLANTS—ready July 1st: Large White Solid, Dwarf Golden Heart and White Plum, 35c.



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EVANSBURG, PA.  
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Homeopathic Physician,  
COLLEGEVILLE, PA.  
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6 to 8 p. m.

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Jun. 25-1yr.

EDWARD E. LONG,  
**Attorney-at-Law,**  
No. 4 PENN STREET, TWO DOORS ABOVE  
SWEDEN, NORRISTOWN, PA.

C. TYSON KRATZ,  
**Attorney-at-Law,**  
311 SWEDEN STREET, NORRISTOWN, PA.  
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RESIDENCE: Lower Providence Township.  
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Will clerk sales at reasonable rates.

JOHN S. HUNSICKER,  
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RAHN STATION, PA.  
Conveyancer and General Business Agent.  
Clerking of Sales attended to. Charges reason-  
able. 27jan

JOHN H. CASSELBERRY,  
(3/4 mile north of Trappe.)  
**Surveyor and Conveyancer**  
Sales clerked; sale bills prepared. Orders by  
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Nov. 6-6m. P. O. Address: Grater's Ford.

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Picks sharpened and warranted. Give me a  
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doors, sashes, moldings, etc. Will be home  
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FRIDAY, to attend to my customers. My  
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## Department of Agriculture.

**THE HIRED GIRL.**  
For years the hired girl has been a  
necessity in our household. Like  
everybody else, we sometimes find it  
impossible to get a reliable one. Yet  
I did not wonder at the indignation  
with which my girl told me last week,  
that a certain lady in town had said:  
"There are no longer any honest, faith-  
ful girls to be had." How unkind, how  
unjust is such a statement! Is it any  
wonder that needy girls will work  
harder, at less wages, at some other  
employment than house work, if such  
a stigma is to be cast upon domestic  
help by the employers, because some  
who hire out are unfaithful.

Unprofitable stewards are in every  
walk of life. It is just as fair to say  
"There is no longer a trustworthy per-  
son upon earth," as to make the above  
statement. From \$20 to \$25 per month  
are the wages we have paid our girls.  
They are treated as members of the  
family. I could not say to a neat, in-  
telligent girl, "You cannot eat at my  
table with me; you are not quite good  
enough for that, so you may eat alone  
in the kitchen."

This is often told the girl in deeds,  
if not in words. A girl who had work-  
ed for me three years, afterwards had  
a place in a small family in town. I met  
her on the street one afternoon; her  
eyes were flashing, her cheeks were  
ablaze. I knew very well something  
had aroused her deepest indignation.  
She swept past me like a small tempest.  
What was the matter? I learned later  
that she had worked in that family  
several weeks, doing cooking and gen-  
eral housework; she had sat at the  
table with the master and the nurse;  
now the nurse was gone, and madam  
was able to come to the table, and the  
master informed the girl that she  
would not be expected to eat with the  
family. Perhaps her reply surprised the  
gentleman.

It was something like this: "I have  
never worked in a family where I was  
treated so like an inferior. I respect  
myself too much to do so now, so I  
will leave your house at once." Who  
blames the girl? Are not our youth  
taught that "great oaks from little  
acorns grow?" Isn't it impressed upon  
them that the humblest person may fill  
the Presidential chair? Isn't it the  
most natural thing in the world that a  
young, intelligent, ambitious, Ameri-  
can girl should feel just like that, even  
if circumstances compelled her to earn  
her own way? I confess I liked her  
spunk. She left an easy, desirable  
place and he lost a jewel of a girl. If  
there had been a number of servants  
the case would have been different.

Another of my girls told me she did  
not in the least object to the servants  
eating together when she lived in a  
large city house, but she did dislike  
very much to wear the cap and apron  
the girls were required to wear, and for  
that reason she soon left the place.  
What necessity is there for making the  
employment so galling to those em-  
ployed?

Everybody does better to feel that  
he or she is somebody and can be some-  
body, and very likely they will try  
harder to be somebody with suitable  
encouragement, than they will if con-  
stantly down-trodden. Another of my  
girls had so little confidence in herself  
that for nearly a week I feared she  
never would "take hold" enough to be  
the help I must have. I worked with  
her, encouraging and teaching her, and  
she gained rapidly, became a valuable  
help and only left me after a year to  
try housekeeping for herself and a hus-  
band. She told me at a woman's  
urgent entreaties she went to work for  
her. As soon as the girl arrived the  
lady went out riding, never troubling  
herself to show the girl where anything  
was to work with, and leaving her to  
get a dinner for several hired men and  
the family. Said the girl: "I did what  
I could; but when she came home I  
left her. I would not work for a wo-  
man who would not take the trouble to  
introduce me to her cooking utensils." No  
doubt that woman bewailed her ill-  
fortune in not being able to get help  
that was good for anything.

Want of tact on the part of employ-  
ers often upsets many a well laid plan.  
I know of a place where a girl went,  
satchel in hand, to a house to com-  
mence work as had been agreed upon.  
The lady of the mansion, with bird in  
hand, as she thought, began to lay  
down rules and give instructions.  
Every sentence was prefaced by the  
rather unpleasant and dictatorial re-  
mark: "I want you to understand."  
"I want you to understand you will  
not eat with the family," etc., etc. The  
girl heard her through, took her  
satchel, and with a polite bow, depart-  
ed, saying: "And I want you to un-  
derstand I will not work for you."

When people remember that hired help  
are human beings, and treat them ac-  
cordingly, they will have less reason to  
remember their saucy tongues and un-  
grateful behaviour. No person can af-  
ford to quarrel—least of all with hired  
help. That would be most unprofit-

able. I find it best to let my girls take  
hold of their work in their own way;  
not unfrequently their way proves to be  
equal, if not superior, to mine.  
Good results is what I desire. Nothing  
worryes a busy person like being con-  
stantly reminded, "Be sure and do that  
my way."

When there is need of a change, then  
suggest it pleasantly. I try never to  
give the impression that I am not  
pleased when I see a girl faithfully  
doing her best. If I have young girls  
I try to exert a motherly influence over  
them.

I count it as noble and worthy an  
act to try to uplift and encourage to a  
better life the hired help in our houses,  
as it is to work for the numberless  
charities and societies that people give  
their time to.—S. E. H., in Rural New  
Yorker.

## PERMANENT PASTURES.

Numbered with the many excellent  
papers read at the New York Insti-  
tute's meeting last winter was one by  
Mr. Gold, of Connecticut, on "Treat-  
ment of Permanent Pastures." In this  
paper Mr. Gold called attention to the  
important fact that the way in which  
pastures are fed, whether closely or  
otherwise, has much to do with their  
permanence in value. It is possible to  
feed a pasture so closely as to dwarf  
the grass roots and kill the large grow-  
ing species. Too light stocking favors  
the growth of coarse and useless vege-  
tation, choking out sweeter and richer  
grasses. Dairy cows unless fed some  
grain, impoverish pasture more than  
young stock or fattening animals. The  
fields are apt to be too flush in June  
and too bare in August. Rather than  
these extremes, feed some grain or  
sowed corn in the scant season and do  
not allow pastures to run into seed in  
June. Pasture is often benefited by  
the change of the live stock kept upon  
it. Sheep will eat and destroy the  
white daisy and wild carrot. The tread  
of sheep has a marvelous influence on  
the physical conditions of certain light  
lands. Horses may be profitably  
changed around with cattle consuming  
much rank growth that is refused by  
neat stock. Young cattle may be ad-  
vantageously pastured in connection  
with dairy cows, which have a habit of  
spending their time about the entrance  
to the pasture. It is well to have trees  
in the more elevated parts, thus en-  
couraging the animals to leave their  
droppings where they are most needed.

For a real permanent pasture we  
must cherish and retain the very best  
grasses that are fitted to the soil, the  
climate and the treatment our pastures  
receive. Sometimes plowing and re-  
seeding is the only resort. But con-  
sider other remedies first. Cut the  
brushes and trees and destroy such  
weeds as can be banished without plow-  
ing. Drain and irrigate. Dress with  
bone or ashes, and do not expect very  
sudden improvement.

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